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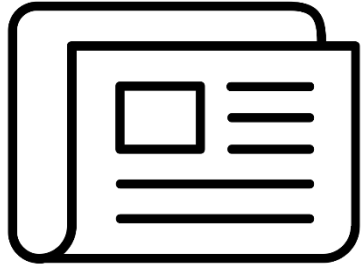
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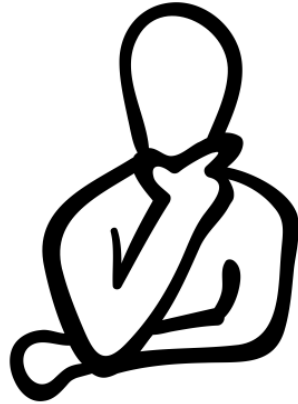
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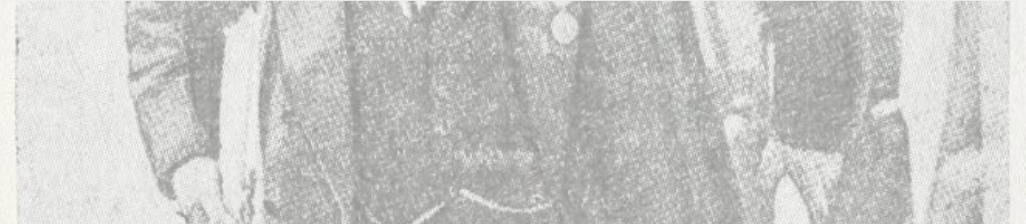
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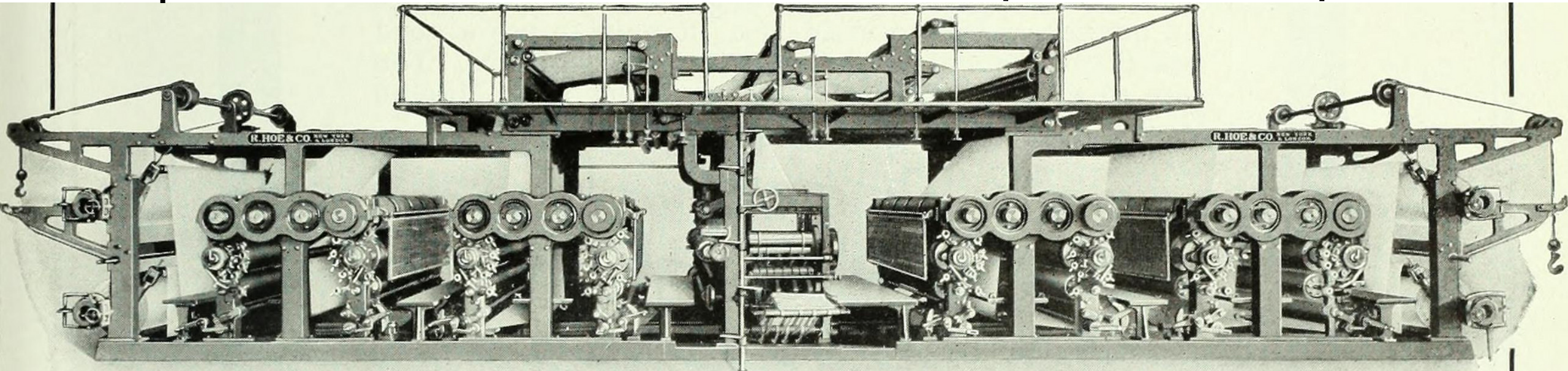
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Edith Efron &
liberal media bias
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1980:
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1987:
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Part 3:

BREAKINGNEWS



BREAKING NEWS CONSUMER'S HANDBOOK

1. In the immediate aftermath, news outlets will get it wrong.
2. Don't trust anonymous sources.
3. Don't trust stories that cite another news outlet as the source of the information.
4. There's almost never a second shooter.
5. Pay attention to the language the media uses.
 - “*We are getting reports*”... could mean anything.
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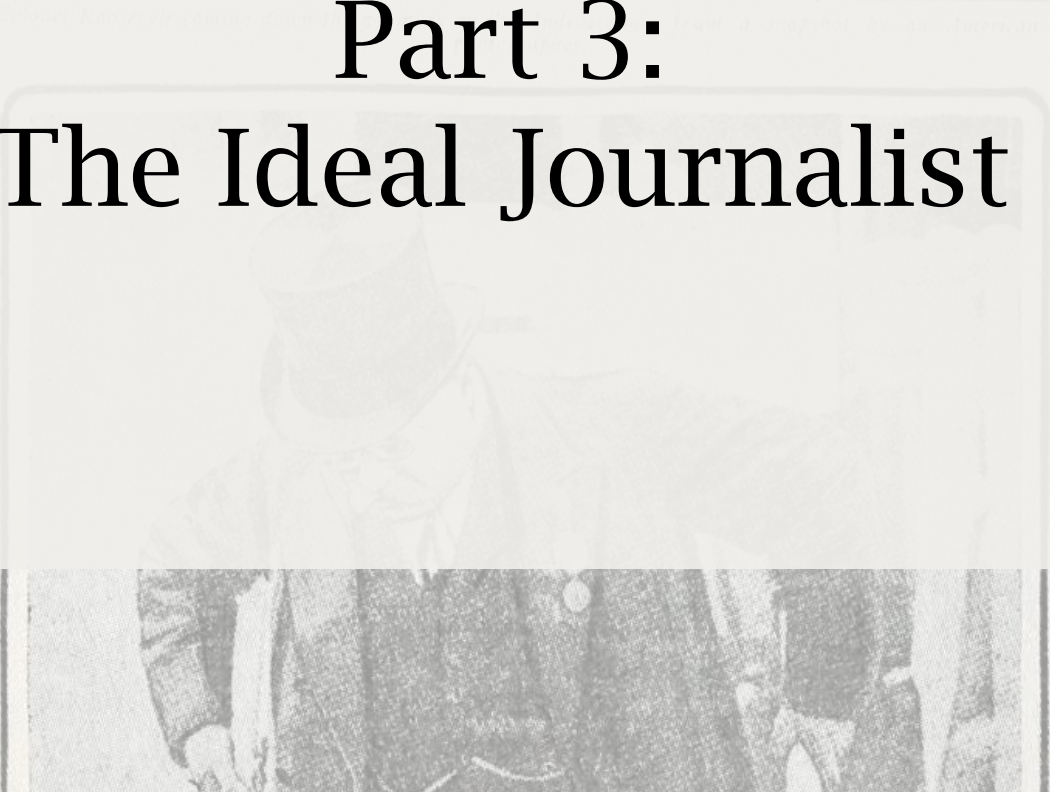
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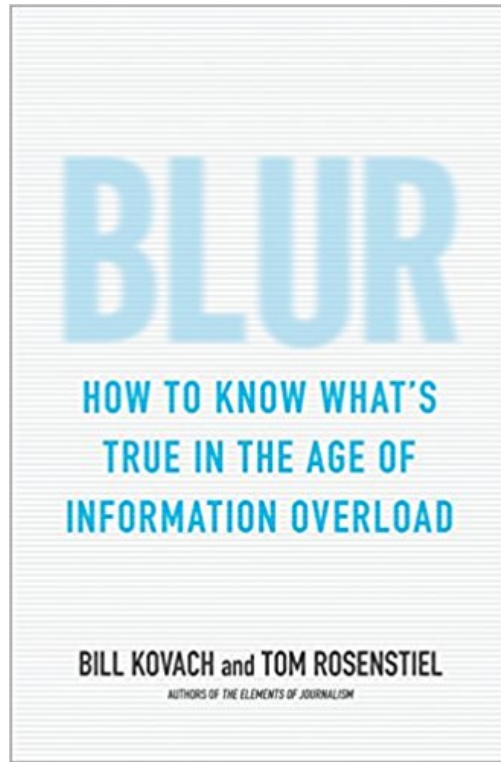
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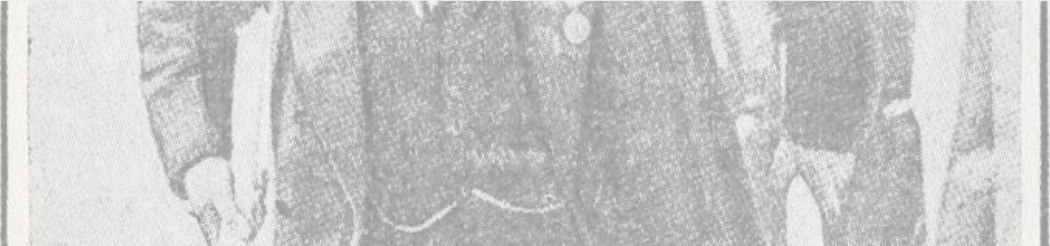
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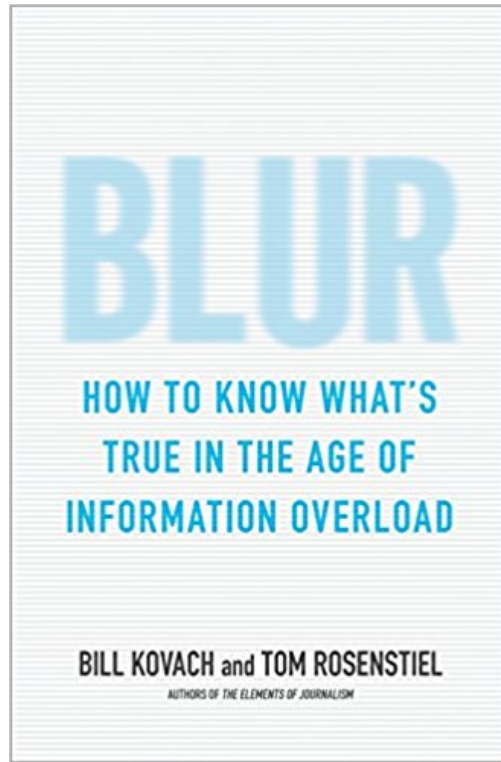
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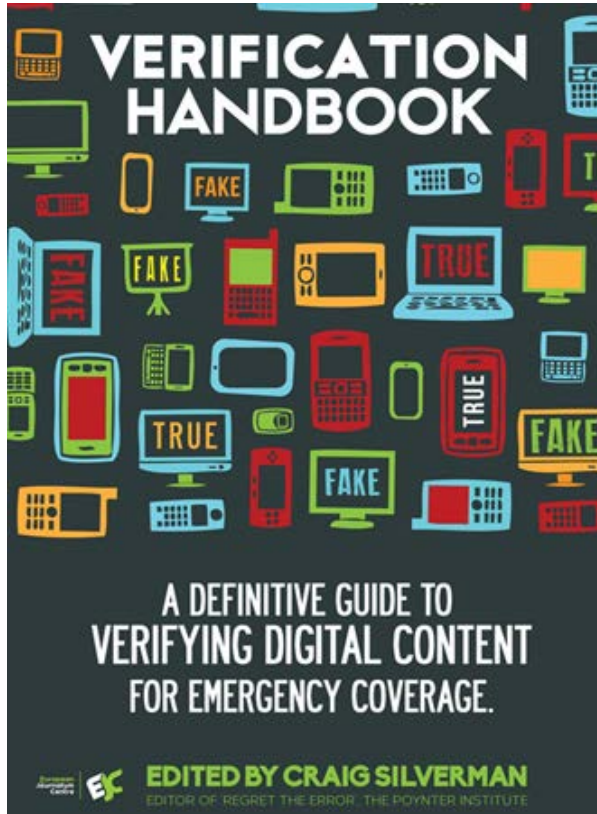
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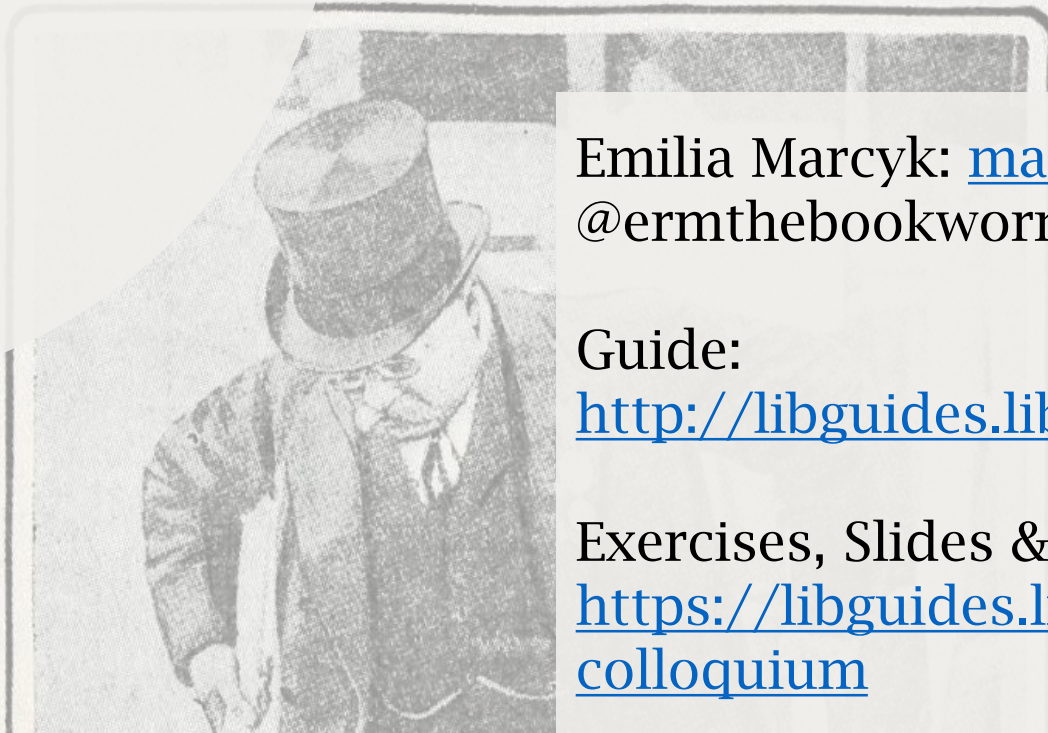
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